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In re application of: Mark W. Publicover, et al.

Application No. 09/800,273

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Examiner: Jerome W. Donnelly

Art Unit: 3764

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**CONDITIONAL NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of Examiner Jerome W. Donnelly mailed July 28, 2004, finally rejecting claims 65-67.

This notice of appeal is conditional because it most likely will become untimely. It is believed that the Office action of July 28, 2004 was designated "final" in error. And, in an Amendment after Final Action and Request to Withdraw Finality filed on January 27, 2005, Applicants have requested withdrawal of the designation of finality.

Upon withdrawal of the designation of finality, appeal will be untimely because the requirements of 37 CFR §41.31(a) will not be satisfied. No claim will have been "twice rejected" or "finally rejected."

Applicants are filing this notice of appeal only to avoid an inadvertent abandonment of the application in the unlikely event that the designation of finality is not withdrawn.

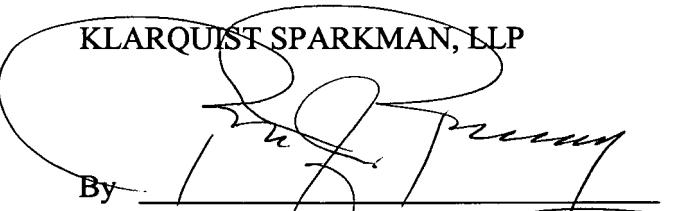
A check in the amount of \$250.00 is enclosed for the fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (b)) for filing this Conditional Notice of Appeal.

The fee for an extension of time was already paid with the Amendment after Final Action and Request to Withdraw Finality that was filed on January 27, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with the filing of this Notice of Appeal and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this Notice of Appeal is enclosed.

Upon withdrawal of the designation of finality, \$250.00 should be refunded to Deposit Account No. 02-4550 because this Conditional Notice of Appeal will be untimely.

Respectfully submitted,

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